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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
FOR WEEK ENDING 24-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 06/24/06	PREVIOUS WEEK 06/17/06
Broiler/fryer	165,999	165,055
Light hens	1,054	1,083
Heavy hens	1,633	1,731

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA**

	WEEK ENDING 17-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)		
	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	83	0	83
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	23	3	26
Same week yr ago	227	7	234
To-date/2006	4,896	19	4,915
To-date/2005	6,799-	33	6,832

SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Total U. S. fowl slaughter in the U. S. and Canada

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
Head	1,108	1,684	2,792
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	1,091	1,495	2,586
Same week yr ago	1,796	1,469	3,265
To-date/2006	32,664	35,249	67,913
To-date/2005	44,005	32,982	76,987

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION  
WEEK ENDING 17-Jun-06 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
Head	163,708	1,025	1,684	2,709
Avg Wt	5.31	3.29	7.92	6.17
Head sltr comparisons				
Last week	166,314	1,068	1,492	2,560
Same wk yr ago	169,799	1,569	1,462	3,031
Avg Wt	5.36	3.35	7.98	5.58
To-date/2006	3,866,522	27,768	35,230	62,998
To-date/2005	3,808,960	37,206	32,949	70,155

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 166.0 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 165.7 million head, or 0.3 million less than estimated available.

YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,  
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING 10-Jun-06

	(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE 4.20 LBS & DOWN	(B) RETAIL 4.21-5.25 LBS	(C) DEBONING 5.26 LBS & UP
	-----THOUSANDS-----		
Head	26,117	20,797	56,914
Avg Weight	3.73	4.70	6.39
% of total /1	25%	20%	55%
Last week	25,173	16,562	48,624
Avg Weight	3.87	4.77	6.43
% of total /1	28%	18%	54%
Same week, yr ago /2	27,603	21,673	51,143
Avg Weight	3.76	4.74	6.46
% of total /1	27%	22%	51%
To date/2006	618,633	441,375	1,242,401
To date/2005	635,533	497,980	1,132,069

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 17-Jun-06  
(THOUSAND HEAD)

	YOUNG (B)		YOUNG	OLD	
	HENS	TOMS	BREEDERS	BREEDERS	TOTAL
Head	2,188	2,629	27	8	4,852
Avg Wt	16.55	37.12	25.70	35.55	27.78
Head sltr comparisons					
Last week	2,042	2,843	18	7	4,910
Same wk yr ago	2,001	2,663	12	1	4,677
Avg Wt	16.39	37.40	27.04	54.55	28.39
To-date/2006	45,526	59,905	500	127	106,058
To-date/2005	39,709	60,970	517	66	101,262

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.  
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